

# K9 Adoption Certificate

## Gene

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### Thank you for adopting Gene!

At Conservation South Luangwa our working dogs play a crucial role in detecting ivory, bushmeat, guns and ammunition, animal bones and skins and live pangolins at the national park's boundary and across Zambia's Eastern Province.

Gene was bred from 2 very reputable working labrador lines. Gene was born in April 2021 and many of the puppies from the litter are also in working roles. Gene was originally with a trainer who had intended him to be an assistance dog but at about 7 months old realized he had too much drive and needed a much more active job. Through the power of social media Working Dogs for Conservation (WD4C) connected with the trainer who had Gene and after a thorough evaluation WD4C determined Gene likely had what it takes to be an anti-poaching K9. WD4C worked with Gene from December 2021 until February 2022, when he was then paired with CSL handler Sidney, and completed a 3 month K9 school, learning detection and tracking before arriving in Zambia in May 2022.



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